

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Rouget F. Henschel on February 3, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

The following has been added to the specification, on page 1, after line 31:

**--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.**

The following has been added to the specification, on page 1, after line 33:

**--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING--.**

The Figure shows a free fall simulator according to one embodiment of the invention.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION--.**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kurt Fernstrom whose telephone number is (571) 272-4422. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 9:30-6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gene Kim can be reached on 571 272-4463. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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